Examiner's Amendments

An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

Non-Elected claims 8-14 and 21-27 has been canceled.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. William L. Bartow on January 4, 2010.

Reasons for allowance

The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance:

None of the prior art discloses or suggests a nozzle having numbers of orifices connected to an outlet, wherein the orifices are directed a junction point at a distance within a range of 5-30 cm from the orifices openings.

The closest cited prior art Jones (2,235,258) and Lauderback et al. (2,928,611) fails to disclose or suggest that orifices are directed a junction point at a distance within a range of 5-30 cm from the orifices openings.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Saeed T. Chaudhry whose telephone number is (571) 272-1298. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Michael Barr, can be reached on (571)-272-1414. The fax phone number for non-final is (703)-872-9306.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-1700.

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Patent Examiner

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